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MY DEAR MR. GLANCY,

You wanted to see the passage in the Secretary of State's evidence referring to the States' tributes. I enclose a copy of it for facility of reference. You will find it on page 987 of the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Joint Select Committee.

We are hoping that the Civil and Military Station question, too, will have been got out of the way by the time, if not long before, Federation comes into being.

I am asked by His Highness to tell you that he attaches the greatest importance to a satisfactory settlement of both these questions. While Federation makes a settlement of these questions all the more imperative and desirable, they are really independent of it, and His Highness is anxious that they should be considered and decided on their own merits irrespective of the proposed Federation. This is a view which he has been consistently urging for a long time.

I enclose, also, copies of my letter to the Secretary of State and of his reply to it. Sir Samuel Hoare correctly understood the position. In presenting the Memorandum, His Highness's main object was to let the British Government know what his attitude would be in regard to the All-India Federation. That object having been accomplished, he did not wish to cause any embarrassment to them by further pressing his request at that stage. I tried to make that position abundantly clear in my letter to Sir Charles Watson, dated February 10, 1933 (copy enclosed).

Yours sincerely,
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